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APPLICANT(S):	Amill <i>et al.</i>	CONFIRMATION NO.:	3281
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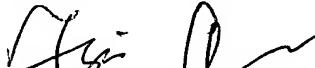
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Respectfully submitted,



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	C17	Lim (1990) "A one-step two-particle latex immunoassay for the detection of <i>Salmonella typhi</i> endotoxin," <i>J. Immunol. Methods</i> , 135: 257-261.							
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